IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE AUG 15 2006 **Customer No.:** 49,637 In re the Application of: **Group Art Unit:** 2673 Eric MICHAEL, Examiner: Amare Mengistu 09/613,028 Serial No.: Atty Docket No.: 3184.PALM.PSI Filed: July 10, 2000 Office Action dated: January 10, 2005 VARIABLE TEMPLATE INPUT AREA For: FOR A DATA INPUT DEVICE OF A HANDHELD ELECTRONIC SYSTEM

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated November 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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